To: Urdiales, Aaron[Urdiales.Aaron@epa.gov]

From: Land, Kelcey

Sent: Fri 8/14/2015 5:55:36 PM

Subject: Fwd: Q from chairman Inhofe SEPE Counsel

Sent from Kelcey Land's iPhone - tiny keyboard - please excuse typos!

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Russo, Rebecca" < Russo. Rebecca@epa.gov >

Date: August 14, 2015 at 11:23:19 AM MDT

To: "Stavnes, Sandra" < Stavnes. Sandra@epa.gov >, "Madigan, Andrea"

< Madigan. Andrea@epa.gov>, "Land, Kelcey" < Land. Kelcey@epa.gov>, "Smith, Paula"

<Smith.Paula@epa.gov>

Cc: "Sisk, Richard" < Sisk.Richard@epa.gov >, "Bohan, Suzanne"

<bohan.suzanne@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Q from chairman Inhofe SEPE Counsel

Yes ma'am.

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From: Stavnes, Sandra

Sent: Friday, August 14, 2015 11:21 AM

To: Russo, Rebecca; Madigan, Andrea; Land, Kelcey; Smith, Paula

Cc: Sisk, Richard; Bohan, Suzanne

Subject: RE: Q from chairman Inhofe SEPE Counsel

Rebecca it looks good to me and I want to make sure the JIC is ok with this statement as everything needs to run through them as of yesterday. Can you confirm that this is the process you are using?

Sandy

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From: Russo, Rebecca

Sent: Friday, August 14, 2015 11:14 AM

To: Madigan, Andrea; Stavnes, Sandra; Land, Kelcey

Cc: Sisk, Richard; Bohan, Suzanne

Subject: RE: Q from chairman Inhofe SEPE Counsel

Hi all,

Please confirm that this is this final for me to send on to HQ for response?

Thank you,

Rebecca

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From: Madigan, Andrea

Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 9:46 AM

To: Russo, Rebecca; Stavnes, Sandra; Land, Kelcey

Cc: Sisk, Richard; Bohan, Suzanne

Subject: RE: Q from chairman Inhofe SEPE Counsel

The recent work at the Gold King was performed as part of a removal site assessment. The plan was to re-open the Gold King Mine portal and workings to investigate the conditions to assess the on-going releases. In addition, the purpose of the work was to identify and characterize specific water flows into the mine and evaluate potential means to mitigate those flows if possible. This evaluation was being performed in conjunction with the time-critical removal action at the Red and Bonita Mine in order to observe possible changes in the discharge at the Gold King Mine that may be caused by the installation of the bulkhead at the Red and Bonita. The bulkhead was scheduled to be completed this Fall.

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From: Russo, Rebecca

Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 9:04 AM

To: Stavnes, Sandra; Land, Kelcey; Madigan, Andrea **Subject:** Fwd: Q from chairman Inhofe SEPE Counsel

Can you assist please?

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Levine, Carolyn" < Levine. Carolyn@epa.gov>

Date: August 13, 2015 at 8:17:55 AM MDT

To: "Russo, Rebecca" < Russo.Rebecca@epa.gov > Subject: Q from chairman Inhofe SEPE Counsel

Hi Rebecca,

Can you help track this down?

Please confirm that the time critical removal action that included the work at Gold King was the action to install a plug at the Red and Bonita mine.

When was the installation of that plug complete?

Carolyn Levine U.S. EPA Office of Congressional Affairs (202) 564-1859